

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of

YOSHIBA *et al.*

Application Number: 10/026,767

Filed: December 27, 2001

For: **TRANSGENIC RICE PLANT AND ITS FAMILY WITH
ENVIRONMENTAL STRESS RESISTANT BY PROLINE
ACCUMULATION OF HIGH LEVEL AND ITS
PRODUCTION**

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Art Unit: 1638

Examiner: Ashwin D. Mehta

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Total Claims	21	39	19 (Over 20)	x \$18	0
Independent Claims	3	6	3 (Over 3)	x \$86	0
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TOTAL					0.00

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☒ Response to Office Action
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☐ Substitute Specification

☐ Preliminary Amendment

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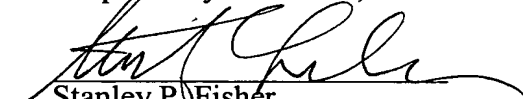
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Sir:

This is in response to the office action dated March 24, 2004, in the above identified application, to which the period for response will expire on June 24, 2004. Please amend the above identified application as follows: